

BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)
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Walt Roberts;) MURs 4818 and 4933
Walt Roberts for Congress;)
Gene Stipe;)
The Stipe Law Firm;)
Charlene Spears;)
Gloria Ervin;)
Cynthia Montgomery-Murray;)
Deborah Tumer;)
Shelley Dusenberry;)
Jamie Benson;)
Dana Thetford;)
Ginger Barnes)

CERTIFICATION

I, Darlene Harris, recording secretary for the Federal Election Commission executive session on October 9, 2003, do hereby certify that the Commission decided by a vote of 5-0 to take the following actions with respect to MURs 4818 and 4933:

1. Find reason to believe that James E. Lane and Francis Stipe knowingly and willfully violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 441a(a)(1)(A) and 441f, and enter into pre-probable cause conciliation.
2. Enter probable cause conciliation with Gene Stipe, Walt Roberts and Walt Roberts for Congress, Charlene Spears, and the Stipe Law Firm.

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3. Approve conciliation agreements with Gene Stipe, Walt Roberts and Walt Roberts for Congress, Charlene Spears, the Stipe Law Firm, James E. Lane, and Francis Stipe, as recommended in the General Counsel's Report dated September 26, 2003
 4. Find reason to believe that Michael Mass, Larry Morgan, Paul and Edith Beavers, and Harold Massey, Sr. knowingly and willfully violated 2 U.S.C. § 441f.
 5. Enter pre-probable cause conciliation with Michael Mass, Larry Morgan, Paul and Edith Beavers, and Harold Massey, Sr.
 6. Approve conciliation agreements with Michael Mass, Larry Morgan, Paul and Edith Beavers, and Harold Massey, Sr., as recommended in the General Counsel's Report dated September 26, 2003.
 7. Approve admonishment letters and take no further action as to Gloria Ervin, Cynthia Montgomery-Murray, Deborah Turner, Shelley Dusenberry, Dana Thetford, and Jamie Benson, as recommended in the General Counsel's Report dated September 26, 2003.

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8. Approve admonishment letters to the following straw contributors, and others as their identities become apparent: John Thetford; Mark Thetford; Brenda Fields; Suzanne Mass; Altaclair Morgan; Carolyn Trueblood; Jesse North; Brenda Smith; Tina Hurst; Joey Smith; Debbie Massey; Larry "Mitch" Lowe; Cynthia Lowe; Harold Massey, Jr.; Jill Massey; Michael Massey; Dorothy Massey; Terry and Marilyn Kinyon; Billy and Kay Semeski; Donald and Judy Goad; Thomas and Karen Webb; Jim and Sue Kindred; Patti Wells; and Larry Clifton, as recommended in the General Counsel's Report dated September 26, 2003.
9. Take no further action as to Ginger Barnes.
10. Approve the factual and legal analyses, as recommended in the General Counsel's Report dated September 26, 2003.
11. Approve the appropriate letters.

Commissioners Mason, Smith, Thomas, Toner, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision. Commissioner McDonald recused himself with respect to this matter; he was not present and did not vote.

Attest:

October 9, 2003
Date

Darlene Harris
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Deputy Secretary of the Commission